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**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)**

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed documents, including any co-pending patent applications, are attached. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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With respect to the non-English language documents, Applicant submits the following remarks:

1. **EP 0 290 327** - An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Derwent Abstract submitted herewith.
2. **WO 00/15073** - An English language abstract appears on the first page of this document.

Also enclosed is an English language translation of the French search report from the French priority application.

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**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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	1	4,434,467	Feb. 28, 1984	Scott			

**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

		Document Number	Date	Country	Class	Sub Class	Translation Yes or No
	2	EP 0 290 327	Nov. 9, 1988	Europe			Abstract
	3	WO 01/87245	Nov. 22, 2001	PCT			
	4	WO 00/15073	Mar. 23, 2000	PCT			Abstract

**OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)**

	5	English language Derwent Abstract of EP 0 290 327, Nov. 9, 1988.

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